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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: Kimberly R. Lockett Art Unit: 2837

Re: Application of: Mark DRONGE

Serial No.: 10/620,235

Filed: July 15, 2003

For: Method for Coloring Strings and Strings Colored Thereby

Confirmation No.: 8521

Customer Number: 22846

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 29, 2005

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 4, 2005 which set a three-month shortened statutory period for reply expiring on May 4, 2005, applicant comments as follows:

Claims 1-6 and 8-17 are presently active in this application, claim 7 having been cancelled.

Claims 1-6 are allowed and claims 10, 11, 15 and 16 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 8, 9, 12-14 and 17 are rejected.

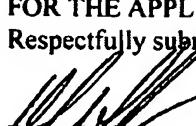
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An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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